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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: PETR NIKOLAYAVICH KHOROSHKO REQUEST FOR ASYLUM -
PRESS HANDLING

REF: STATE 003508 AND PREVIOUS

1. ENGLISH-LANGUAG* JAPAN TIMES JANUARY 9 MORNING ED* ION
CARRIED KYODO STORY OUT OF HAKODATE HEADLINED "RUSSIAN
DEFECTOR UNDER ARREST IN HAKODATE." LEAD SAID "THE PUBLIC
PROSECUTORS HERE HAVE BEEN DETAINING A RUSSIAN WHO
ALLEGEDLY SOUGHT EXILE IN THE U.S., IT WAS LEARNED TUESDAY."
BODY OF STORY INDICATED THAT "KHARASHCO PYOTORO NICOLAYE
EVICH (PHONETIC), 26, A NAVIGATION OFFICER OF A SOVIET FISHING
RESOURCES SURVEY SHIP" HAD BEEN PICKED UP BY JAPANESE FERRY
BOAT, TURNED OVER TO HAKODATE MARITIME SAFETY HEADQUARTERS
AND SUBSEQUENTLY TO HAKODATE DISTRICT PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE ON
A CHARGE OF ILLEGAL ENTRY. STORY ALSO NOTED TIME AND PLACE
WHERE HE LEFT SHIP.

2. SUBSEQUENTLY EMBASSY RECEIVED INQUIRY FROM ASSOCIATED
PRESS WHICH HAD EARLIER ASKED HAKODATE AUTHRITIES ABOUT
ASYLUM QUESTION AND WAS REFERRED TO US. FOLLOWING
STANDING DEPARTMENT INSTRUCTIONS EMBASSY ACKNOWLEDGED
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THAT SUBJECT HAD REQUESTED ASYLUM AND THAT REQUEST IS

UNDER CONSIDERATION IN WASHINGTON. INQUIRIES FOR FURTHER
DETAILS ARE BEING REFERRED TO JAPANESE AUTHORITIES.

3. EMBASSY REQUESTS DEPARTMENT'S AUTHORIZATION TO
CONFIRM, IN RESPONSE TO INQUIRIES AND AFTER SUBJECT'S
DEPARTURE FOR U.S., THAT REQUEST FOR ASYLUM HAS BEEN
GRANTED AND THAT SUBJECT HAS DEPARTED FOR U.S. SINCE
STORY HAS HIT THE PRESS WE CAN EXPECT CONTINUED
INQUIRIES AND CANNOT STICK WITH "UNDER CONSIDERATION"
LINE INDEFINITELY. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST.
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